

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

THOMAS WILLIAM SINCLAIR  
RICHEY,

Plaintiff,

v.

STEVEN FLEENOR, ROY GONZALEZ,

Defendants.

CASE NO. C14-5158 RBL-KLS

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION  
TO PROCEED *IN FORMA*  
*PAUPERIS*

The Court, having reviewed Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* does hereby find and **ORDER:**

Plaintiff's declaration indicates he is unable to afford the Court's filing fee or give security therefor. Accordingly, Plaintiff's application to proceed as a pauper is **GRANTED**. As set forth below, an initial partial filing fee will be collected, and Plaintiff is required to make monthly payments of 20 percent of the preceding months income credited to his/her account until the full amount of the filing fee is satisfied.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915 and Plaintiff's approved application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, the agency having custody of the above named Plaintiff is directed to calculate an initial partial filing fee equal to 20 percent of greater of -- the average monthly deposits to the prisoner's account or the average monthly balance in the prisoner's account for the 6-month

1 period immediately preceding the date of this Order. The initial partial filing fee should be  
2 forwarded to the Court Clerk as soon as practicable.

3 Subsequently, if the prisoner's account exceeds \$10.00, each month the agency is  
4 directed to collect and forward payments equal to 20 percent of the prisoner's preceding month's  
5 income credited to the prisoner's account. In the event that the monthly payment would reduce  
6 the prisoner's account below \$10.00, the agency should collect and forward only that amount  
7 which would reduce the prisoner's account to the \$10.00 level. Please note that this \$10.00 limit  
8 does not apply to the initial partial filing fee described above. Finally, the monthly payments  
9 should be collected and forwarded to the Court until the entire filing fee (\$350.00) for this matter  
10 has been paid.

11 The Clerk is directed to send Plaintiff a copy of this Order and the Pro Se Instruction  
12 Sheet and to send a copy of Plaintiff's Acknowledgment and Authorization portion of the IFP  
13 application to the attention of the inmate account manager of the Washington State Penitentiary.

14 Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2014.

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United States Magistrate Judge  
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